

The Award Winning Jimmy Carter Library & Museum

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May Author Readings at Carter Library Books Range From Presidential Politics to Caring for a Relative with Alzheimer's

Atlanta, GA. – May is a great month for authors at the Jimmy Carter Presidential Library & Museum. All the readings and book signings are free and begin at 7:00pm in the Carter Museum Theater. Here's a quick look at what's coming up....

Tuesday, May 15...Robert Leleux, author of *The Living End: A Memoir of Forgetting & Forgiving*Thursday, May 17.......Jonathan Odell, author of *The Healing: A Novel*Wednesday, May 23...Steve Coll, author of *Private Empire: Exxon Mobil and American Power*Thursday, May 24...Nancy Gibbs & Michael Duffy, authors of *The Presidents Club*Thursday, May 31...Samuel Popkin, author of *The Candidate*

The Living End: A Memoir of Forgetting & Forgiving

The Living End is a tribute to an unforgettable woman, and a testimony to the way a disease can awaken an urgent desire for love and forgiveness. Pat Conroy says "The Living End is Robert Leleux's exceptionally moving memoir about his beloved grandmother and his heroic caring for her as she slipped into the grip of Alzheimer's. The book is at times hilarious, tender, and heartbreaking—further proof that Mr. Leleux is ripening into one of the best prose stylists in America."

The Healing: A Novel

The pre-Civil War South comes brilliantly to life in this masterfully written novel about a mysterious and charismatic healer readers won't soon forget. **Literary Journal** calls it "Engrossing. . . . Bound to be compared to Kathryn Stockett's best-selling The Help, this historical novel probes complex issues of freedom and slavery."

Private Empire: ExxonMobil and American Power

In Private Empire Steve Coll investigates the largest and most powerful private corporation in the United States, revealing the true extent of its power. ExxonMobil's annual revenues are larger than the economic activity in the great majority of countries. The *New York Times* says "Mr. Coll's prose sweeps the earth like an Imax camera."

The Presidents Club: Inside the World's Most Exclusive Fraternity

The Presidents Club is the first history of the private relationships among modern American presidents—their backroom deals, rescue missions, secret alliances, and enduring rivalries the first history of the private relationships among modern American presidents—their backroom deals, rescue missions, secret alliances, and enduring rivalries. Robert Dallek, bestselling author of An Unfinished Life: John F. Kennedy, 1917–1963 says "This is essential reading for anyone interested in American politics."

The Candidate: What it Takes to Win - and Hold - the White House

Based on detailed analyses of the winners--and losers--of the last 60 years of presidential campaigns, Popkin explains how challengers get to the White House, how incumbents stay there for a second term, and how successors hold power for their party. George Stephanopoulos, anchor and Chief Political Correspondent at ABC News says "No one I know has more closely studied the link between the minds of voters and the machinery of Presidential campaigns than Sam Popkin. He's a scholar who has worked in War Rooms. A strategist who knows his history. In The Candidate, Professor Popkin teaches us what he's learned--the surprising secrets that separate winning campaigns from the ones that crash and burn."

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